Galileo Wanted Poster

Course Competencies: Turning point in World History: How did Galileo’s challenge against the church lead to a change in World History?

Topic: What comes to mind when you hear the word outlaw? What would make someone an outlaw? Upon the completion of his highly controversial book Dialogue, Galileo became a wanted man of the Catholic Church.

Assignment: Create an outlaw poster. As a leader of the Catholic Church you are looking to arrest Galileo Galilee for speaking out against the traditional teachings of the church. The Outlaw Poster MUST include the following information:

- Actions (3) that Galileo is accused of that violate the beliefs of the church
- Explain in detail one of the 3 crimes that Galileo is accused of
- Include at least 1 quote from Galileo that defends his point of view
- Statement that clearly identifies the churches stance on Galileo’s book/theories
- Illustrations that represent Galileo and the crimes he is accused of committing
- Effectively integrates content from primary source documents

Requirements of the Poster:
1. All work is to be neatly written. The written component must be in the student’s “own words”. When using quotes, please use quotation marks and provide evidence to who is speaking (for example: According to Galileo, “…”).
2. All visuals MUST be hand drawn.

Materials:

- Wanted Poster paper, colored pencils and markers
- Class notes
- Reading on Galileo and the Church
- Scientific Revolution Graphic Organizer